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DETAILED ACTION

Allowable Subject Matter

1. Claims 1-32 are allowed.

The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance:

Regarding claim 1, the closest prior art Hayashi et al. (US 5,485,246) fails to show or fairly suggest a supervising system for surprising a plurality of image forming apparatuses, comprising:

wherein said mobile computer includes:

an operation history information inputting device configured to input operation history request information; and

an operation history information informing device configured to inform the operation history request information to the central control apparatus;

wherein said central control apparatus includes:

an operation history information storing device configured to store operation history information related to an operation executed by a service person for each of said plurality of image forming apparatuses, when the operation history information is received from each of the plurality of image forming apparatuses; a reading device configured to read prescribed operation history information from said operation history information storing device when a request for the operation history information is received from said mobile computer and an operation history information transmitting device configured to transmit the operation history request information to said mobile computer.

Regarding claims 2-11, the claims are allowable due to dependence from the respective base claim 1.

Regarding claims 12-22, claims 12-22 are the method claims of device claims 1-11, respectively. Therefore, method claims 12-22 are allowed for the reason given in device claims 1-11.

Regarding claim 23, the closest prior art Hayashi et al. (US 5,485,246) fails to show or fairly suggest a system for supervising a plurality of image forming apparatus connected to a central control apparatus via a network, comprising:

means for inputting operation history request information of a respective one of the plurality of image forming apparatuses into a mobile computer; means for informing the operation history request information to the central control apparatus;

means for storing in the central control apparatus operation information related to an operation executed by the service person for each of the plurality of image forming apparatuses when the operation information is received by the central control apparatus;

means for reading, by the central control apparatus, prescribed operation history information from the stored operation information when a request for the operation history information is received from the mobile computer;

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means for transmitting the prescribed operation history information to the mobile computer.

Regarding claims 24-32, the claims are allowable due to dependence from the respective base claim 23.

2. Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

Conclusion

3. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Allen H. Nguyen whose telephone number is 571-270-1229. The examiner can normally be reached on M-F from 9:00 AM-6:00 PM.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, King Poon can be reached on (571)-272-7440. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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